

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a location;
inserting a tap into the existing pipeline;
diverting the fluid flow through the tap to a storage site; and
intervening in the pipeline, ~~wherein the diverting and the intervening are~~
~~accomplished from the same location and the location is an offshore tanker.~~
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the well is underbalanced.
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 ~~[[4]]~~, wherein the tap is
inserted into the pipeline between the well and the storage site.
- 6.- 9. (Cancelled)
10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening in the pipeline occurs
downstream with respect to initial fluid flow through the pipeline to the location from the
diverting of the fluid flow to the storage site.
11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening in the pipeline
comprises removing blockage of the fluid flow within the pipeline.
12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein removing blockage comprises
injecting acid through coiled tubing inserted in the pipeline.

13. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein removing blockage comprises drilling into the pipeline and physically removing the blockage.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening comprises removing a pig stuck in the pipeline.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening comprises descaling the pipeline.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening comprises removing paraffin from within the pipeline.

17. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening comprises repairing damage to the pipeline.

18. – 50. (Cancelled)

51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening comprises dislodging wellbore equipment stuck in the pipeline.

52. (Cancelled)

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54. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising analyzing the fluid flow to determine whether a build-up has formed on an inside of the pipeline.

55. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 54, wherein intervening comprises removing the build-up in the pipeline.

56. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 55, wherein removing build-up comprises injecting acid through a coiled tubing inserted in the pipeline.

57. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 55, wherein removing build-up comprises drilling into the pipeline and physically removing the build-up.

58. (Currently Amended) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a remote storage unit location;

connecting a flow tube to the existing pipeline at a location between the offshore well and the remote storage unit

diverting the fluid flow through the flow tube to a storage site on, wherein ~~diverting the fluid flow to the storage site comprises diverting the fluid flow to an offshore tanker; and~~

intervening in the pipeline.

59. (Previously Presented) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a location;
diverting the fluid flow to a storage site; and
intervening in the pipeline, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises inserting a tap into the pipeline downstream from the diversion of fluid flow to the storage site and wherein a coiled tubing is lowered from the storage site through a moon pool disposed in a vessel and inserted into the tap for intervening in the pipeline.

60. (Previously Presented) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a location;
diverting the fluid flow to a storage site; and
intervening in the pipeline, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises inserting a tap into the pipeline downstream from the diversion of fluid flow to the storage site and wherein a coiled tubing is lowered from the storage site through a skid deck displaced to an outboard position and inserted into the tap for intervening in the pipeline.

61. (Currently Amended) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a storage unit location;

connecting a flow tube to the existing pipeline at a location between the offshore well and the storage unit;

diverting the fluid flow through the flow tube to a storage site on, wherein ~~diverting the fluid flow to the storage site comprises diverting the fluid flow to a floating storage tank; and~~

intervening in the pipeline.

62. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening comprises removing a pig stuck in the pipeline.

63. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening comprises descaling the pipeline.

64. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening comprises removing paraffin from within the pipeline.

65. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening comprises repairing damage to the pipeline.

66. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises lowering a coiled tubing into a tap in the pipeline.

67. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 66, wherein the coiled tubing is lowered through a moon pool positioned proximate the storage site.

68. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 66, wherein the coiled tubing is lowered through a skid deck positioned proximate the storage site.

69. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening in the pipeline occurs downstream with respect to initial fluid flow through the pipeline to the location from the diverting of the fluid flow to the storage site.

70. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises removing blockage of the fluid flow within the pipeline.

71. (Currently Amended) A method of intervening in a pipeline, comprising:
providing a pipeline for transporting fluid flow from an offshore well to a location;
inserting a tap into the existing pipeline;
diverting the fluid flow through the tap to a storage site; and
intervening in the pipeline, wherein the diverting and the intervening are accomplished from ~~the same location and the location is~~ a floating storage tank.

72. (Cancelled)

73. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71 ~~[[72]]~~, wherein the tap is inserted into the pipeline between the well and the storage site.

74. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises lowering a coiled tubing into a second tap in the pipeline.

75. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 74, wherein the coiled tubing is lowered through a moon pool positioned proximate the storage site.

76. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 74, wherein the coiled tubing is lowered through a skid deck positioned proximate the storage site.

77. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 71, wherein intervening in the pipeline occurs downstream with respect to initial fluid flow through the pipeline to the location from the diverting of the fluid flow to the storage site.

78. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 71, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises removing blockage of the fluid flow within the pipeline.

79. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 78, wherein removing blockage comprises injecting acid through coiled tubing inserted in the pipeline.

Please add the following new claims:

80. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the storage site is positioned on an offshore tanker.

81. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein intervening in the pipeline comprises inserting a second tap into the pipeline and lowering a coiled tubing into the second tap.

82. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the diverting and the intervening are accomplished from the same location.